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Applicants: Yoshiki KAWAOKA Conf.: 6688  
Apply. No.: 09/490,061 Art Unit: 2172  
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For: IMAGE FILE APPARATUS AND METHOD

**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

**April 28, 2003**

Sir:

In reply to the Examiner's Office Action ("Office Action") dated January 28, 2003, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

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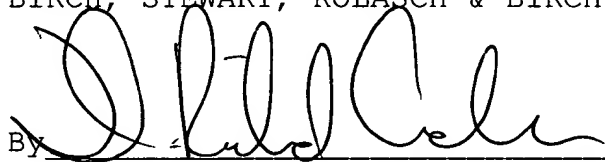


- ☐ Petition for ( ) month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$0.00 for the extension of time.
- ☒ No fee is required.
- ☐ Check(s) in the amount of \$0.00 is(are) enclosed.
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Respectfully submitted,

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